

REMARKSElection/Restriction Requirement

Restriction to one of the following groups was required: Group I including claims 1 to 10, Group II including claims 11 to 20, and Group III including claim 21. Applicants elect Group I. Accordingly, the claims in Group II and group III, namely claims 11 to 21, are hereby withdrawn.

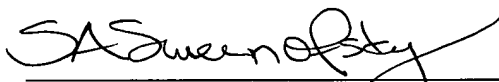
There are 11 new claims numbered 22 to 32. The new claims recite means for performing the steps of elected claims 1 to 10.

Closing

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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